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SUBJECT: LIBERIAN CANDIDACY FOR MEMBERSHIP ON IMCO COUNCIL AND
MARITIME SAFETY COMMITTEE

REF: (A) MONROVIA 4816 OF 8/31/73

(B) STATE 176018 OF 9/5/73

(C) MONROVIA 4905 OF 9/7/73

1. I WAS DISTRESSED TO LEARN THAT DURING COURSE OUR REPRESENTATIONS ON SUBJECT UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON CODE OF CONDUCT FOR LINER CONFERENCES (SEPTTEL), GOL DEPUTY COMMISSIONER MARITIME AFFAIRS COOPER AGAIN RAISED QUESTION OF USG WILLINGNESS SUPPORT LIBERIAN CANDIDACY FOR MEMBERSHIP ON COUNCIL AND MARITIME SAFETY COMMITTEE OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL MARITIME CONSULTATIVE ORGANIZATION (IMCO). COOPER POINTED OUT (CORRECTLY) THAT GOL HAD FORMALLY SOLICITED OUR SUPPORT PRIOR TO IMCO MEETING LAST NOVEMBER, BUT RECEIVED NO REPLY. WITH NEXT MEETING APPROACHING, HE EXPRESSED KEEN INTEREST HIS GOVERNMENT IN LEARNING OF USG POSITION ON NEW AMENDMENTS TO IMCO CONVENTION INsofar AS THEY PERTAIN TO LIBERIA'S CANDIDACY.

2. COMMENT: COMPLETE LACK OF USG RESPONSIVENESS TO FORMAL REQUEST FOR SUPPORT BY GOL LAST YEAR (REF. A) IS SOURCE OF CONSIDERABLE EMBARRASSMENT AND FRUSTRATION TO EMBASSY, AS WE

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POINTED OUT IN REF. C, WE OFTEN CALLED UPON TO DO PRE-INTERNATIONAL

CONFERENCE NOSE-COUNTING AND EVEN OCCASIONAL ARM-TWISTING WITH GOL ON MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE TO US BUT AT BEST OF MARGINAL INTEREST TO LIBERIA. YET IN THIS CASE GOL CAME TO US IN SAME FASHION ON MATTER OF CONSIDERABLE SIGNIFICANCE TO IT AND MET WITH OVER THIRTEEN MONTHS OF SILENCE. SUCH TREATMENT CANNOT HELP BUT RANKLE, AND MAKES OUR TASK INCREASINLY DIFFICULT.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: I STRONGLY URGE DEPARTMENT TO FURNISH EMBASSY WITH BACKGROUND ON USG POSITION ON IMCO CONVENTION PROPOSED AMENDMENTS, AND AUTHORIZE US DISCUSS MATTER WITH GOL. I WOULD HOPE THAT RESPONSE COULD BE FAVORABLE TO GOL. EVEN NEGATIVE RESPONSE WITH ACCEPTABLE EXPLANATION WOULD BE MUCH BETTER THAN OUR PERFORMANCE TO DATE.

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